Appendix A Draft Terms of Reference - Climate Change Task Group

Aim of the Review	Priority 1: The Task Group will review the RDC position in relation to IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) reduction of target from 2°C to 1.5°C Global Temperature Rise and recommend how RDC can contribute towards this target. Priority 2: The Task Group will identify changes/impacts across Ryedale (time permitting)
Why has this review been selected?	Council requested Overview and Scrutiny Committee to undertake this review. Council 11.10.18 Minute 42
Who will carry out the review?	 The review will be carried out by a Task Group including: A minimum of 3 members of the O and S committee [Cllrs Clark, Acomb and Oxley] (but open to all members of Council) agreed 22.11.18 Support will be provided by the Delivery and Frontline Services Lead, the Senior Commissioning Officer and the Projects, Programmes and Performance Officer. Input from other RDC Officers as required. In addition, there is potential for professional / technical support resource which will be sourced externally. (This will require budgetary approval.)
How the review will be carried out?	The Task Group will gather evidence from a range of sources to 1. Identify the key areas where RDC can impact on the IPCC target whilst carrying out its service delivery functions (direct and indirect) and how RDC can encourage residents to also make this impact to: a. Reduce carbon emissions i. Use energy more efficiently ii. Switch to low carbon fuels b. Prepare for climate change 2. Make an interim recommendation to Scrutiny that, having identified these areas, a focussed event is held to which a range of relevant "experts" and interested parties are invited to bring their views and knowledge to help Scrutiny produce and prioritise an Action Plan. Additional expertise may also be sought by the Task Group. 3. Recommend the Action Plan to Scrutiny and onwards to Council
What are the expected outputs?	It is expected that the Task Group will produce a report, summarising the evidence they have gathered to develop a prioritised Action Plan for Scrutiny Committee.
Timescale	An interim report will go to Scrutiny on 22.11.18 then to Council on 6.12.18. It is anticipated that the review will be concluded by April 2019.